



Columbia Gorge CWMA Education & Outreach Committee Meeting

August 26th 2020; 3:10pm-4:00pm

Teleconference

Attendees: Courtney Gattuso (CSWCD), Emily Stevenson (Skamania County), Jeanette Burkhardt (Yakama Nation), Mika Barrett (FOCG), Sam Leinger (CSWCD), Sara Woods (FOCG)

3:10 Welcome

Mika Barrett

3:30 2021 Invasive Species and Exotic Pest Workshop Brainstorming Session

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- Review Steering Committee's suggestions for the upcoming event.
- Who are some potential speakers? Cost? Duration? Webinar style?
 - Mika gets the group up to speed with where the CWMA is at regarding the 10th annual Invasive Species & Exotic Pest Workshop (ISEP).
 - The CWMA is still looking to host ISEP in 2021, possibly including a series of blocks and over the course of 2 days (still up for conversation). Does anyone have good presentations in mind?
 - Emily suggests that we can have someone do a grass ID class for ISEP, based on suggestion during General Meeting.
 - Sam thinks the content would be too complex for one presentation, maybe for Field Day? And have recordings available on the website available for seasonal and new hires to refer to.
 - Emily suggests getting a professor who can teach well to present the content. Sam suggests Kathy Pendergrass as a speaker for grass ID (no pun intended).
 - Another topic suggestion is eDNA technology.
 - Sam – Attended the Cal-IPC lunchtime series, and saw a great presentation from Rachel Meyer out of CA.
 - Jeanette –Yakama Nation Fisheries Program and lamprey detection
 - Sara – bull frog detection & Turtle Haven
 - Sam suggests Dr. David Coyle (tree pest specialist & President of NAISMA) – Bradford Pear Bounty in City of Clemson; now have spotted lanternfly

- The group is also interested in first foods and culturally important habitats as a potential topic. Jeanette will talk to her co-worker about it.
 - Another topic idea is a community science project to identify and map weeds – if there is a successful community project worth sharing.
 - Another topic: drone technology and invasive detection; Sara saw Herb Winter present at 2019 CONNECT and he gave a very engaging presentation.
 - Top topics
 - eDNA Technology
 - Bradford Pear Bounty
 - First foods/culturally important habitats
 - Back up topics
 - Grass ID
 - Drone technology
 - Rush skeleton weed control
 - The group thinks that shorter presentations (no more than 30 minutes each) will be best for remote attendees.
- Mika asks the group if we should have a pre-recorded webinar vs. live? It might be a good idea to have it prerecorded to avoid technical difficulties, but it might be less engaging for attendees.
- The group decided that ISEP is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, February 25th
- The group scheduled another meeting to discuss ISEP planning further and will invite Justin Bush to participate.

3:15 Discuss options for CWMA events in 2021

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- How should the CWMA move forward with our upcoming 2021 events?
 - Invasive Species & Exotic Pest Workshop?
 - Boot Brush Kick-Off?
 - Field Day?
- The group ran out of time and scheduled an ad hoc meeting on September 23rd from 3pm-4pm.

4:00 End

Next CWMA Education & Outreach Committee Meeting

September 23rd, 3:00pm-4:00pm

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